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✓ RECOGNIZED PULLORUM CLASSES AND DIGEST OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS AFFECTING  
THE SALE OF HATCHING EGGS, CHICKS AND POULTS ✓

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The purpose of this publication is to provide official State agencies and members of the hatchery industry with a ready source of information on State regulations affecting the interstate movement of hatching eggs, baby chicks and poults.

The information contained in the first six columns, under the heading, "Recognized Pullorum Classes", applies only to participants in the National Poultry and Turkey Improvement Plans. The remainder of the publication contains digests of State laws or regulations which apply to all hatcheries regardless of affiliation with the National Plans.

The State regulations as reported by the various National Poultry Improvement Plan official State agencies are presented in very brief form. For more complete information on the laws and regulations of any State, consult the administrative agency listed in the last column.



State	Recognized Pullorum Classes						Legal minimum pullorum requirements which apply to all hatching eggs, chicks and poults			Permit Required		Labeling or Certification Requirements on All Imports	Law or Regulation Administered by
	N.P.I.P.			N.T.I.P.									
	Contr.	Passed	Clean	Contr.	Passed	Clean	Produced for sale and sold within the State	Shipped into the State	For hatchery operation	For shipment			
Alabama		x	x		x	x	When sold by public hatcheries or dealers shall originate in U.S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean flocks, or in flocks that have met comparable requirements.	Shall originate in flocks that contain no reactors on the last test under supervision of official State agency or livestock sanitary officials of State of origin.	Yes	No	Shipments to be accompanied by certificate approved by official State agency or livestock sanitary official of State of origin.	Poultry Division Ala. Dept. of Agri. & Industries, Montgomery, Ala.	
Arizona	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			
Arkansas	-2%	x	x		x		None	None	No	No			
California	-1%	x	x		x		None	None	No	No			
Colorado	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			
Connecticut		x	x		x		None	None	No	No			
Delaware		x	x				None	None	No	No			
Florida		x	x		x	x	None	None	No	No			
Georgia		x	x		x	x	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean or in flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.	Shall have been produced and handled under conditions no less adequate for the control of pullorum disease than those required under Georgia regulations.	Yes	Yes	Shall obtain Ga. Approval Number (blanket authorization). Shipments reported on official health certificates signed by livestock sanitary officer of State of origin, or, on NPIP forms if produced under pullorum control phase of the plans.	Ga. State Dept. of Agri. Atlanta, Ga. Provision affecting shipments -- Ga. Poultry Impr. Assn. Inc., Gainesville, Georgia	
Idaho		x	x		x	x	None	None	No	No			
Illinois	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			
Indiana	-1%	x	x	-1%	x	x	No chicks to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	No chicks to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	No	No	For public auction: identified with approved labels, designating breed and variety, sex, date hatched, by whom hatched, freedom from disease and testing of parent stock.	Indiana State Veterinarian, Indianapolis, Ind.	
Iowa	-1%	x	x	-1%	x	x	See footnote	None	Yes	No		Dept. of Agri., Des Moines, Ia.	
Kansas	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			
Kentucky	-2%	x	x			x	Shall originate in flocks that meet the minimum pullorum requirements of the national plan, or in flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision. No chick to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	Shall originate in flocks that meet the minimum pullorum requirements of the national plan, or in flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision. No chick to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	Yes	Yes	Shall obtain annual Kentucky Approval Number which must be placed on every parcel of every shipment.	Livestock Sanitary Division, Department of Agri. Frankfort, Ky.	



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	Contr.	Passed	Clean	Contr.	Passed	Clean	Produced for sale and sold within the State	Shipped into the State	For hatchery operation	For shipment			
Ohio	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	No chicks to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	No chicks to be sold at public auction except under prior permit.	No	No (except auction sales)	For public auction: Approved labels designating breed, sex, date hatched, by whom hatched.	Bureau of Animal Industry Ohio Dept. of Agri. Columbus, Ohio	
Oklahoma	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	No chicks to be sold by peddling, by vending in the streets, or at public auction except under prior permit.	No chicks to be sold by peddling, by vending in the streets, or at public auction except under prior permit.	No	No (except peddling vending, or auction)	For peddling, vending, or auction, approved labels designating no., sex, breed, date hatched, and any other representations made at or prior to the date of sale.	State Board of Agri. Oklahoma City, Okla.	
Oregon		x	x			x	None	None	No	No	Attached label showing number of chicks, breed & variety, date hatched, sex, pullorum testing of parent stock, name & address of producer and seller	Department of Agriculture, Harrisburg, Pa.	
Pennsylvania	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	Attached label showing no. of chicks, breed & variety, date hatched, sex, pullorum testing of parent stock, name & address of producer & seller, & the words "Pa. Chicks" if hatched in Pennsylvania.	None	No	No	Also must be free from evidence of infectious or transmissible disease.		
Rhode Island		x	x		x	x	None	None	No	No			
South Carolina	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			
South Dakota	-2%	x	x	-2%			None	None	No	No			
Tennessee	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	Producers & sellers shall maintain sanitary measures, provide ample facilities for proper care and determine that all chicks & poults offered for sale are in a healthy condition.	None	Yes (also for selling)	No	Attached label showing number, sex, breed & variety, date hatched, whether or not parent stock has been tested for pullorum disease, name and address of producer and seller.	Tennessee State Dept. of Agriculture Nashville, Tenn.	
Texas	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None	None	No	No			

Louisiana	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No	Attached approved label designating breed & variety, date & hour hatched, pullorum classification, name & address of shipper. Accompanied by certificate showing pullorum qualification or by N.P.I.P. Form 15.	State Livestock Sanitary Board, Jackson, Mississippi
Maine		x	x		x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
Maryland		x	x		x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
Massachusetts		x	x		x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
Michigan	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
Minnesota	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
Mississippi		x	x		x	x	x	Shall be produced from flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean, or from flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.	Shall be produced from flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean, or from flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.	No	No		
Missouri	-2%	x	x		x	x	x	None	None	No	No	Attached official label or certificate designating number, breed & variety, sex, date of hatch, name & address of hatchery or producer, pullorum qualification, and agency supervising pullorum testing.	Montana Livestock Sanitary Board, Helena, Montana
Montana	-2%	x	x					None	None	No	No		
Nebraska	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
New Hampshire								None	None	No	No		
New Jersey	-1%	x	x	-1%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
New Mexico	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
New York	-1%	x	x	-1%	x	x	x	None	None	No	No		
North Carolina		x	x		x	x	x	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable requirements under supervision.	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable requirements under supervision.	Yes	No	Attached approval label or certificate showing name & address of shipper, pullorum control class of the product, and the authority for the pullorum testing.	North Carolina Dept. of Agriculture, Veterinary Division, Raleigh, N. C.
North Dakota	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	x	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Controlled, -Passed, or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable requirements under supervision.	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Controlled, -Passed, or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable requirements under supervision.	Yes	No	Attached label showing pullorum control class of the product and the authority for the pullorum testing.	North Dakota Livestock Sanitary Board, Bismarck, N. D. in cooperation with the N.D. Poultry Impr. Bd.



Utah	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Controlled, -Passed, or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Controlled, -Passed, or -Clean, or in flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.	Yes	No	Attached label showing authority for testing and pullorum control class of the product. Certified copy of blood test to be filed with State Board of Agriculture.	Utah State Dept. of Agriculture Salt Lake City, Utah
Vermont		x	x		x	x	None	Shall originate from flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed or -Clean, or from flocks that have met comparable standards under supervision.	No	No		Department of Agriculture, Montpelier, Vermont
Virginia		x	x		x	x	None	Shall originate in flocks that are U. S. Pullorum-Passed, or -Clean, or from flocks that have met comparable standards under supervision.	No	Yes	Shall obtain Virginia approval number (blanket permit) which must appear on each label of each package.	Division of Animal Industry, Virginia Dept. of Agri. Richmond, Va.
Washington		x	x			x	Unlawful to sell chicks or poults that are affected with pullorum disease.	Unlawful to sell chicks or poults that are affected with pullorum disease.	No	No		Washington Dept. of Agriculture, Olympia, Washington
West Virginia		x	x		x	x	None		No	No		
Wisconsin	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None		No	No		
Wyoming	-2%	x	x	-2%	x	x	None		No	No		

Canada	Live birds must be accompanied by a certificate issued by a State veterinarian or a Bureau veterinarian, and endorsed by an appropriate veterinarian of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry to the effect that they are free from Newcastle disease or other similar contagious poultry disease, and have not been exposed to infection from such disease. Hatching eggs must be presented in clean, new containers and accompanied by a similar certificate stating that the eggs originate from a flock that is free from Newcastle disease.											Canadian Veterinary Director General, Health of Animals Div. Dept. of Agriculture Ottawa, Canada
Hawaii	Imports shall originate from flocks that have a rating of U. S. Pullorum-Controlled or higher, or from flocks that have met comparable pullorum requirements under supervision.											Div. of Animal Industry Territory of Hawaii Honolulu

Footnote: Producers and sellers shall be licensed, shall maintain sanitary measures, provide ample facilities for care and handling and determine that all poults and chicks offered for sale are in a healthy condition. All containers shall be plainly labeled to show name of seller, number, breed and variety, sex, date of hatch, and any tests made on parent stock.

